

## House Resolution No. 208

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the members are now pleased and proud to pause to recognize Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of American (PhRMA), which is observing the twentieth anniversary of its Discoverers Award program, which each year honors scientists whose tireless research and development of new pharmaceuticals have greatly benefitted patients all over the world; and

**Whereas**, the scientists in the cutting-edge laboratories of America's pharmaceutical research companies create most of the world's new medicines, which benefit tens of millions of patients; and

**Whereas**, because of their efforts, more than twenty-five hundred medicines are in development today to give patients more and better therapeutic options; and

**Whereas**, these potential new treatments include pharmaceuticals for cancer, Alzheimer's disease, infectious disease, heart disease, arthritis, stroke, diabetes, obesity, hypertension, HIV/AIDS, and many other life-threatening and debilitating diseases and medical conditions; and

**Whereas**, the men and women who discover and create these medicines deserve recognition for their life-saving and life-enhancing accomplishments; and

**Whereas**, the Discoverers Award program recipients have included the creators of vital new medicines for life-threatening infections, chronic myeloid leukemia, rheumatoid arthritis, AIDS, preventing rejections of life-saving transplants, and lowering cholesterol:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of American (PhRMA) on the auspicious occasion of the twentieth anniversary of its Discoverers Award program, with our deepest gratitude for the valuable work to program rewards; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of American (PhRMA).

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Kevin Threlkeld  
District No. 109

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 208, adopted January 23, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker